

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

In Loving Memory of
Mr. James Wright Clark, Jr.
“Beloved Husband and Father”



January 3, 2009
11:00 A.M.

Beebe Memorial Cathedral Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
3900 Telegraph Avenue ■ Oakland, CA 94609

Officiating
Reverend Dr. Charley Hames, Jr., Pastor

Reflection of Life

James Wright Clark, Jr. was born in Greenville, Texas on December 10, 1923 to his parents James Clark and Ruth Wright Clark.

He confessed Christ at an early age and attended the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church near his home.

He attended Nations Elementary School and Richland High School in Rains County, later graduating from Weldon High School in Gladewater, Texas. After high school, he joined the U. S. Navy and served during World War II. In the Navy, he held the rank of Steward 1st Class. He was honorably discharged in December 1945. With a high school diploma and an honorable war record, he found work immediately. He worked for a year with the Veterans Administration, then he joined the U. S. Postal Service. He had a long and satisfying career with the Postal Service, working from 1947 until his retirement in 1983.

He was married to the late Mamie Leggett Emerson and to this union two children were born, Danny Wright and Donna Ruth. In 1971 after being single for eighteen years, while visiting Texas, James met the woman of his dreams, Emma Jean Patterson. They were married one year later in 1972, and were blessed with 36 years of love and romance. With this union he was blessed with two additional daughters, Manuela and Charita.

Mr. Clark was a member of the Beebe Memorial Cathedral C.M.E. Church for more than 50 years. He served on the Steward Board for 25 years and was also a Sunday School Teacher. He received many awards, but his most treasured was the "Sunday School Teacher of the Year Award."

He enjoyed reading, buying and managing real estate properties, but his greatest joy was the rearing of his two grandchildren. He was a good husband, father, grandfather, great grand-father, brother, uncle and friend.

Preceding him in death were his parents, three brothers, Jonathan, Oliver, L. C. and his sister Lillian Ruth Clark Turner.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his loving and devoted wife of 36 years, Emma Jean Clark, Son, Danny W. Clark(Delores); Daughters, Donna Ruth Gaskin, Manuela Yvonne Evans (Verdell) and Charita Annette Patterson; Grandchildren, Dannette Clark, Raven Moore (Andre), Faith Cushenberry and Dominic Carzoli; Great grandchildren, Daniel Rodriquez, Terrance Cheney, Raena Moore, Micah Younger and Jordan James Versher; two Sisters, Lottie Donnel (Aron) Dallas, TX and Addine Thomas, Emory, TX; two Brothers, Simon Clark, Dallas, TX and Wilma Clark (Cynthia), Houston, TX; Godchildren; Gladys Jeanette Fanning, Nathaniel Howard, Jr., Michael Russell, David Robinson, Jr., Teri-Ann McAllister, John Halcomb, Lacy Douglas, III, Richard Foster, Dennis Braxton, Sr. and their families; a special mother like friend, Victoria Williams; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends; loyal tenants and business associates. He will also be greatly missed by the officers and members of the Beebe Memorial Cathedral C.M.E. and McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ Church families.

The love he so generously shared will long be remembered and cherished.
His last words were "Lord Have Mercy"

Yes, He Is Gone But Not Forgotten!

PROGRAM

Reverend Dr. Charley Hames, Jr., The Officiate

Prelude	Minister Sylvester Burks
Processional	Pastor, Clergy, Family
Hymn of Celebration.....	Beebe Memorial Cathedral Choir <i>What A Friend We Have In Jesus</i>
Prayer	Sr. Adm. Asst. John A. Jennings McGlothen Temple Church Of God In Christ
Comfort of Scripture	
Old Testament.....	Psalm 90:1-12.....Elder Malachi Hall
Net Testament.....	John 14:1-6Elder Richard Foster
Musical Selection.....	Beebe Memorial Choir

Expressions

Family Friend.....	Mother Victoria Williams
Long time Friend.....	Bishop W.W. Hamilton
Children.....	Brother Danny Wright Clark
Wife.....	Missionary Emma Jean Clark

Acknowledgement of Condolences, Resolutions/Tributes	Sister Delores Murray
Obituary	Read Silently
Sermonic.....	<i>Order My Steps</i> Missionary Demitrea Foster
Eulogy	Reverend Dr. Charley Hames, Jr.
Recessional.....	Fouche's Hudson Mortuary Staff
Postlude.....	Minister Sylvester Burks

REPAST

Beebe Memorial Moffatt Hall

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Carl Seabrook
Eric Seabrook
John Halcomb

Lacy Douglas, III
Earl Boughton
Andre Moore

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Stewards of Beebe Memorial Cathedral C.M.E. Church

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It seems like only yesterday our lives were just beginning.
Your love for us never failed, Our hearts continually mending.

It is strange to watch the time fly, before our very eyes,
Which reminds me of the blessing, that we had you in our lives.

To have yet to feel the touch, that's as gentle as your hand.
The closeness of our family, one could never understand.

As each of our lives continue to change,
Reflections of your love in each of us remains.

You have pointed out the path, and led us along the way;
The wisdom you have planted, we each still hold today.

You sheltered us through childhood, and saw us through today,
Taught us of the Lord above, about faith and how to pray.

One day we'll all be in heaven, dancing on the throne,
Praising God for giving us a family like we've never known.

No matter where our lives may go, we will trust the Lord above.
And through it all always thank Him for your love.

By Tina Williams

Your Children, Grandchildren and Great grandchildren

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

The family of James Wright Clark, Jr. thank you for your many acts of kindness during this time of bereavement. We thank you for your presence at this service and request your prayers for us in the many days ahead that we will face without our precious love one. We love you.

The Family of Mr. James W. Clark, Jr.

Arrangements Entrusted to

Fouche's Hudson Funeral Home
3365 Telegraph Avenue
Oakland, CA 94609
(510) 654-8558

Interment

Rolling Hills Memorial Park - Sunset Gardens
4100 Hilltop Drive
Richmond, CA 94803